

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4966

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AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY PARIS

USLO PEKING IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, CH,UR

SUBJ: SOVIET REPLY TO PRC ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE

PEKING FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

REF: MOSCOW 17847

1. THE SOVIET PRESS MORNING (NOVEMBER 21) DID NOT CARRY OR REFER TO MOSCOW'S REPLY CABLE TO PEKING'S ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE OF NOVEMBER 6. TEXT (PRESUMABLY FULL) WAS CARRIED ON TASS ENGLISH WIRE NOVEMBER 26.

2. THE CABLE, RELEASED LATER ON THE SAME DAY THAT BREZHNEV AND TSEDENBAL WERE SPEAKING IN ULAN BATOR (REFTEL, SAYS THAT MOSCOW "STILL" SUPPORTS THE NORMALIZATION OF BILATERAL RELATIONS AND HAS SOUGHT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TALKS "WITHOUT ANY PRELIMINARY CONDITIONS" TO SETTLE

ALL QUESTION. THE CHINESE MESSAGE, IT SAID, PUTS FORTH "ALL KIND OF PRELIMINARY CONDITIONS, IS A REPETITION OF THE FORMER POSITION OF THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PRC AND, OF COURSE, DOES NOT FURNISH FOUNDATION FOR AN UNDERSTANDING."

3. THE SOVIET REPLY -- PRESUMABLY RELEASED ONLY AFTER BREZHNEV COULD ADDRESS THE ISSUE -- IS MORE SPECIFIC THAN SUCH RESPONSES USUALLY ARE AND DOES NOT SIGNIFY ANY SOVIET SOFTENING. IT FITS WITH THE LINE EXPRESSED PUBLICLY BY BREZHNEV EARLIER IN THE DAY AS WELL AS BY SOVIET OFFICIALS IN RECENT PRIVATE COMMENTS.  
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